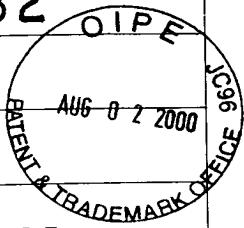


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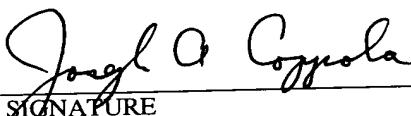
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Qingyun Liu, Terrence McDonald, Timothy P. Bonnert, Gordon Ng, Lee F. Kolakowski, Jr., Janet Clark, Tom I. Bonner**Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:**

1. This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures [35 U.S.C. 371(f)] at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(l).
4. A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. A copy of the International Application as filed [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)].
 - a. is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. A translation of the International Application into English [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)].
7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)].
 - a. are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. have not been made and will not be made.
8. A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)].
9. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)].
10. A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)].

Items 11 to 16 below concern other document(s) or information included:

11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
 A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
14. A substitute specification.
15. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
16. Other items or information:

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17. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted:		CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY
BASIC NATIONAL FEE [37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)]:			
Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee [37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)] paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO.....		\$970.00	
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International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4).....		\$670.00	
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Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date [37 CFR 1.492(e)].		\$0.00	
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Total Claims	19 - 20 =	0	X \$18.00 \$0.00
Independent Claims	11 - 3 =	8	X \$78.00 \$624.00
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TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =		\$720.00	
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SUBTOTAL =		\$720.00	
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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment [37 CFR 1.21(h)]. The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property.		+ \$40.00	
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